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Sir:

This is Tom Campbell, Publisher and owner of The Argus-Press, a daily newspaper based in Owosso and serving Shiawassee, Clinton and Saginaw counties. Our company phone number is 989-725-5136.

I'm willing to submit a card to oppose HB 6062 and I don't wish to speak.

HB 6062 is recklessly ill-advised in that it will allow governmental units to drastically reduce their accountability to taxpayers. While, newspaper owners realize that there is a cost to publishing public notices in newspapers, it is vital to the continued transparency of our elected officials and their actions. No one has to look any further than Shiawassee County to find corruption at the highest levels of governance, as evidenced by several of our commissioners voting to pay themselves with Federal Covid-19 relief funding last year. That story, broken by The Argus-Press, went world wide. Imagine these practices occurring frequently on a state-wide level if public notices about the actions of our governing bodies are well hidden on obscure county, township and village web pages. HB 6062 must not move forward.

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